FAFSA first!

FAFSA is the Free Application for Federal Student Aid

- 💢 It is the ONLY way to apply for federal student aid
- 💢 Largest provider of student financial aid in the nation
- \$150 billion offered annually to help millions of students pay for college or career school



As of October 1, FAFSA is available to be submitted for the next school year.

 Many states and colleges use information from FAFSA to determine what financial aid packages they award students, in addition to federal aid Apply ASAP some financial aid money is awarded on a first-come, first-served basis





Start

GRANTS:

free money that doesn't have to be repaid



WORK-STUDY:

gives you the opportunity to earn money to help pay for your education

FAFSA helps

determine what types of

federal student aid you are eligible

to receive.



LOANS

money that needs to be repaid with interest

Complete the FAFSA online at www.fafsa.gov



Students and parents each need to create FSA IDs **before** starting their FAFSA



Good news! Last year's tax returns can now be used to complete the FAFSA - no guessing required



After the FAFSA is submitted, review your Student Aid Report (SAR) for any needed changes

Your award letter will explain what financial aid a college is offering.



This can also include state and institutional aid



 If you list multiple schools as options in your FAFSA, you may receive multiple award letters

Compare and decide which school works BEST FOR YOU!



FSA ID WORKSHEET



FAFSA.gov

Federal Student Aid IDs are required for students and parents to access and electronically sign the FAFSA. Parent(s) of dependent students will also need to create an FSA ID. KEEP IN A SAFE PLACE.

ENTER AN EMAIL ADDRESS ______ The email address must be unique to each individual. You will not be able to use the same email address for student and parent. DO NOT use high school email accounts. CREATE A USERNAME Must be 6-30 characters. Avoid using personal identifiers like your name or birthdate. CREATE A PASSWORD Must be 8-30 characters and contain upper- and lowercase letters and numbers. Avoid personal identifiers. COMPLETE YOUR PROFILE 1. Enter your Social Security number 2. Enter your birthdate 3. Enter your name exactly as it is listed on your social security card Social Security matches are confirmed within 1 to 3 days. Errors can cause delays. **CHALLENGE QUESTIONS & ANSWERS** There are four challenge questions and answers. Select the questions from drop down menus and provide your answers below. VERIFY YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS & MOBILE PHONE NUMBER FSA will send an email with a code that must be entered to verify your email address. FSA will send a text message with a code used to verify your mobile phone number.

KEEP TRACK OF IMPORTANT NUMBERS

COMPLETE THE TWO-STEP VERIFICATION PROCESS

A backup code will be generated when you create your FSA ID account or when you enable two-step verification. The backup code lets you access your account if you can't use the two-step verification method. If it gets lost, log in to your account and select "Generate a New Backup Code" under "Two-Step Verification" in Settings. Contact Federal Student Aid at 1-800-4-FED-AID for assistance. Save your backup code here:

To verify the information used to create the FSA ID, you'll need to set up at least one verification method to utilize two-

step verification. Use one of these options: SMS Text, Email or download an Authenticator app.



Filing the FAFSA® is the most important step in the paying for college journey, but only ~50%1 of graduating high school seniors file each year. While there are other pathways to pay for college, not filing the FAFSA® could mean paying thousands more for the same degree.

What is The FAFSA®?

The FAFSA® is the Free Application for Federal Student Aid.

Tip: Though not listed in the name, the FAFSA® also opens the door to state, institutional, and private need-based and merit-based aid.



Why should I file the FAFSA®?

The FAFSA® can open the door to federal, state, institutional, and private needbased financial aid opportunities in the form of grants, scholarships, work-study, or federal student loans.

Some colleges and private scholarship providers may require you to file the FAFSA® to be considered for their merit-based scholarships and grants. While they won't consider your family finances, they want to ensure you access all of the gift aid you are eligible to receive.

Where do I go to complete the FAFSA®?

It's best to file the FAFSA® online at **Studentaid.gov**.

Tip: If you need help with filing the FAFSA®, reach out to your counselor, a financial aid office, Federal Student Aid, or Going Merry. Never pay to receive FAFSA® support.

¹https://www.ncan.org/page/NationalFAFSACompletionRatesforHighSchoolSeniorsandGraduates

Who is eligible to file the FAFSA®?

U.S. Nationals, Permanent Residents, and eligible non-citizens can file the FAFSA®. If any of these conditions apply to you, you are eligible to file:

- U.S. nationals (including natives of American Samoa or Swains Island)
- Lawful permanent residents (Green Card holders)
- Individuals with specific immigration statuses, including:
 - Refugees
 - Asylees
 - Parolees (for at least one year, with unexpired status)
 - T-visa holders (T-1, T-2, etc.)
 - · Cuban-Haitian entrants
 - Victims of human trafficking with certification from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services
 - Battered immigrants qualified under the Violence Against Women Act (VAWA)

Review this list in greater detail at **studentaid.gov**.

If I am an eligible non-citizen, what will I need to do?

When filing the FAFSA® you will check that you are an eligible non-citizen, and then provide your "A-Number" (also known as your Alien Registration Number or your USCIS#).

This will be checked against the records at the Department of Homeland Security, and if their records do not match, you will provide additional documentation to your college or university.

Tip: Reach out to your financial aid office for questions or concerns. They are always happy to help!

Can I file the FAFSA® if I am undocumented?

If you are undocumented but have a valid Social Security Number (SSN) (such as through Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals, or DACA), you can complete and submit the FAFSA® form. You will not be eligible for federal student aid, but submitting the FAFSA® may help you qualify for state, institutional, or private financial aid.

If you are undocumented and do not have a valid Social Security Number (SSN), you cannot file the FAFSA®. Your state or college may offer an alternative form or application that could make you eligible for state, institutional, or private financial aid.

Tip: You should check with your high school counselor or your college's or career school's financial aid office to see whether completing the FAFSA® is the correct way to apply for state and school-based aid in your situation. Some states and institutions have separate financial aid applications you will need to complete.

It is generally still recommended that you file the FAFSA® if you are a DACA student with a SSN.

What if my parents are undocumented and/or don't have a SSN?

Your parents' citizenship or immigration status does not affect your eligibility to file the FAFSA® or receive aid. The FAFSA® form does not ask for your parents' citizenship information.

Tip: If your parent(s) don't have a SSN, they will be able to register for an FSA ID using the Identity Verification Process. Once your parent(s) account is verified, they will be able to proceed and answer the necessary financial questions for FAFSA® Contributors.

Can I send the FAFSA® to a school I haven't applied to and/or been admitted to?

Absolutely, and you'll often find that you submit the FAFSA® before applying. Since you can submit the FAFSA® to up to 20 schools, you ensure all schools that you apply to receive your FAFSA®.

When should I submit my FAFSA®?

The 2026-2027 FAFSA® should open on October 1, 2025 and be available to submit until June 30, 2027. It's best to file as early as possible.

First, review the FAFSA® priority filing deadlines and requirements that may impact you:

- 1. Determine the priority FAFSA® filing date or all schools that you are applying to. *Tip: Determine if they also have a CSS Profile priority deadline.*
- 2. Determine if your date or high school has a FAFSA® filing requirements for graduation or priority filing deadlines.

Second, set your goal filing date 2 weeks in advance of your earliest priority deadline OR for December 31 of your senior year in high school.

Again, filing the FAFSA® as early as possible is the goal. Some need-based financial aid programs have limited funding that can be fully exhausted before all eligible students are awarded it.

This can create a "first come, first served" scenario. State, institutional and private grants and scholarships are the most likely to be impacted by funding restrictions.

Will I need to include my parent's information on my FAFSA®?

It depends on your <u>FAFSA® dependency status</u>. If any of the below apply to you, you are an Independent Student for the 2026-2027 FAFSA® and will not include your parent's information on the FAFSA®.

- 1. Were you born before Jan. 1, 2003?
- 2. As of today, are you married? (Answer "No" if you are separated but not divorced.)
- 3. At the beginning of the 2025–26 school year, will you be working on a master's or doctorate program (such as an M.A., MBA, M.D., J.D., Ph.D., Ed.D., graduate certificate, etc.)?
- 4. Are you currently serving on active duty in the U.S. armed forces for purposes other than training? (If you are a National Guard or Reserves enlistee, are you on active duty for other than state or training purposes?)
- 5. Are you a veteran of the U.S. armed forces?
- 6. Do you have children or other people (excluding your spouse) who live with you and who receive more than half of their support from you now and between July 1, 2025, and June 30, 2026?
- 7. At any time since you turned age 13, were you an orphan (no living biological or adoptive parent)?
- 8. At any time since you turned age 13, were you a ward of the court?
- 9. At any time since you turned age 13, were you in foster care?
- 10. Are you or were you a legally emancipated minor, as determined by a court in your state of residence?
- 11. Are you or were you in a legal guardianship with someone other than your parent or stepparent, as determined by a court in your state of residence?
- 12. At any time on or after July 1, 2025, were you unaccompanied and either (1) homeless or (2) self-supporting and at risk of being homeless?

If you cannot answer yes to any of these questions, you are a dependent student, and must include at least one parent as a FAFSA® Contributor.

Who is considered a Contributor on the FAFSA®?

If the student is Independent:

- The student will be their only contributor, unless they are married.
- If the student is married, and file their taxes together, their spouse will only need to provide consent and sign the FAFSA®.
- If the student is married, and file their taxes separately, their spouse will need an FSA ID, fill out, consent, and sign the FAFSA® as a Contributor.

If the student is Dependent:

The student and at least one legal parent will be their FAFSA® contributor.

Legal parent is defined as a biological or adoptive parent (regardless of gender), or as determined by the state (for example, if the parent is listed on the birth certificate). Grandparents, foster parents, legal guardians, widowed stepparents, aunts, uncles, and siblings are not considered parents on this form unless they have legally adopted the student.

Which parent(s) should be my FAFSA®? Who needs an FSA ID?

If your parents are married filing jointly:

Only one parent needs a FSA ID, but both parents will provide their information, consent and signature on your FAFSA®.

If your parents are married filing separately:

Both parents need a FSA ID, and both parents will provide their information, consent and signature on your FAFSA®.

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(Continued) Which parent(s) should be my FAFSA®? Who needs an FSA ID?

If your parents are living together and divorced, separated, or never married: Both parents need a FSA ID, and both parents will provide their information, consent and signature on your FAFSA®.

If your parents are divorced separated or never married:

- 1. If one parent provided greater financial support to you in the past 12 months: They will be your FAFSA® Contributor and will need an FSA ID. They will need to provide their information, consent, and signature.
 - a. If they are remarried and file their taxes separately from their spouse, your step-parent will also be a FAFSA® Contributor and will need an FSA ID. They will need to provide their information, consent, and signature.
- 2. If both parents provided exactly equal financial support to you in the past 12 months: Select the parent with the greater income AND assets to be your FAFSA® Contributor and will need an FSA ID. They will need to provide their information, consent, and signature.
 - a. If they are remarried and file their taxes separately from their spouse, your step-parent will also be a FAFSA® Contributor and will need an FSA ID. They will need to provide their information, consent, and signature.

Tip: Rules around determining FAFSA® Contributors changed in the 2024-25 FAFSA®. Be careful to follow the current instructions for selecting your parent contributor(s). Including the wrong parent(s) on the FAFSA® can lead to Verification, required corrections to the FAFSA®, and/or delays in financial aid disbursement.

Still need help: The "Who's My FAFSA® Parent Wizard" from studentaid.gov is an interactive resource for determining which parent(s) you should include on the FAFSA®.

What do I do if my parents won't fill out the FAFSA® with me?

Address the common misconceptions. Being included on my FAFSA®:

- Doesn't obligate you to pay for anything, or make you responsible for the bill.
- Doesn't mean you are applying to a student loan.
- Doesn't mean providing more information to the government (it's using your tax filings from two years ago).
- Doesn't restrict my access to financial aid opportunities.

If they continue to refuse:

- Contact your financial aid office for advice.
- Ask your counselor for support / more information.
- File the FAFSA® anyway, as you will still be able to access Direct Unsubsidized Student Loans, and you will have a higher annual borrowing limit.

What kind of financial aid opportunities could be linked to the FAFSA®?

The FAFSA® is required for consideration for any Federal Student Aid, such as:

- Federal Pell Grant
- Federal FSEOG
- State Grants
- Need-based work-study
- Need-based scholarships
- Federal Direct Loans
- Federal PLUS Loans

Additionally, many state, institutional, and private need-based financial aid opportunities utilize the FAFSA® to determine eligibility for their programs.

Is there an income limit or threshold for need-based grants, scholarships, work-study, or student loans?

There is no income limit or cutoff for filing the FAFSA®, and most need-based financial aid programs do not have a strict income limit.

The Federal Pell Grant has eligibility requirements tied to the Federal Poverty Level, but it isn't strictly income-restricted. It also considers household size, dependency status, and Adjusted Gross Income (AGI).

Most eligibility for need-based aid is determined based on the Financial Need Formula, and is calculated by each school. This considers the cost of the school in addition to family finances.

Financial Need = Cost of Attendance (COA) - Student Aid Index (SAI)

Tip: If income is an eligibility requirement or restriction, it should be listed on the scholarship, grant, or other program. If you're not sure if a financial aid program is income restricted, you can always ask the provider or administrator of the program.

Could filing the FAFSA® hurt my chances at merit-based aid?

Merit aid doesn't consider your SAI or family finances.

Merit aid opportunities only examine the accomplishments, accolades, and academics of the student, and do not consider the student's SAI, nor the family income or assets.

Tip: Some state, institutional, and private merit scholarships and grants may require you to file the FAFSA®, even though they are not considering the SAI or family finances. This requirement is because of the limited funding that many institutions have, and because many families opt-out of the FAFSA®, missing out on valuable gift aid.

What should I do to prepare to file the FAFSA®?

- 1. Create your FSA ID (the sooner the better).
- 2. Identify your FAFSA® Contributors and ensure they have an FSA ID, or get them to create one.
- 3. Gather your documents. These may include
 - a. Student SSN or A-number
 - b. Parent(s) SSN if applicable
 - c. Student/Parent(s) date of birth
 - d. Student/Parent(s) 2024 Tax Returns and W2's (these should auto-import, but it's good to have them on hand)
 - e. Student/Parent(s) asset information
- 4. Set aside time when all FAFSA® Contributors will be present.

Tip: It's best practice to have the student begin the application and to complete the FAFSA® in one setting.

When will I get my SAI, and how do I view it?

You could receive your SAI within 1-3 days of filing the FAFSA®. It can take longer though, so be patient and monitor your email for the notification.

To view your SAI:

- 1. Login to your FSA account
- 2. Select the FAFSA® submission you are interested in reviewing.
- 3. Select "View FAFSA Submission Summary."
- 4. Navigate to the "Eligibility Overview" tab.

Tip: Your SAI can range from -1500 to 999,999. This is not an out of pocket estimate or the amount of aid you will receive. This is the number colleges will use to calculate financial need for each student.

What is and isn't an investment or asset on the FAFSA®?

Assets and Investments Include

- Education savings accounts like 529 plans or Coverdell accounts in your name that you or your parents hold
 - If the student includes their parents' information, then it will be a parent asset, but if the student is independent, it will be a student asset.
- Real estate outside of the family's primary residence
- Rental Properties
- Trust Funds
- UGMTA and UTMA accounts Always reported as a student asset
- Money Market Funds, Mutual Funds, Certificates of Deposit, Stocks, Stock
 Options, Bonds, Other Securities, Installment and Land Sale Contracts (including mortgages held), commodities, etc.

Assets and Investments Do Not Include

- Education savings accounts like 529 plans or Coverdell accounts where your sibling is the beneficiary or that you or your parents do not hold
- The family's primary residence
- The value of life insurance
- ABLE Accounts
- Retirement plans (401K plans, pension funds, annuities, non-education IRAs, Keogh plans, etc.)
- UGMTA and UTMA accounts where the student is the custodian but not the owner

Tip: Do not report any cash, savings, or checking accounts reported in previous question(s) about the value of your accounts as of today.

Tip: If you're not sure, ask a Financial Aid Office. They want to help you prevent mistakes!

What does "Current Total of Cash, Savings, and Checking Accounts" mean? What if that money is earmarked for something specific?

It is the current balance of your accounts as of the day you file the FAFSA®.

Tip: Your parent(s) will be asked the same question, so make sure you only count the funds once if you are both on the same accounts.

Tip: If your parents are married, they will include the balances of their spouse's accounts too.

Tip: Don't include account balances of retirement plans in this total.

If you have funds that are earmarked for a specific use within those accounts - like an insurance settlement to make repairs to your home - those will be included in current total of cash, savings, and checking accounts.

Tip: If those funds will be used in the near future, and that date is before any priority deadlines for filing your FAFSA® it might be helpful to hold off on filing the FAFSA® until they are spent. If those funds won't be used as quickly, speak to the financial aid office about the circumstances to get personalized advice.

How do I calculate the net worth of our family's business or investment farm?

Net worth is the value of the business(es) or farm(s) minus any debts owed against them.

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(Continued) How do I calculate the net worth of our family's business or investment farm?

Tip: Business include small or family business along with the fair market value of the real estate owned by the business.

Tip: Investment Farms include any income-producing farms along with the fair market value of the land, buildings, livestock, unharvested crops, and machinery actively used in the commercial activities of the farm.

Do not include the following in your calculation of business or farm net worth:

- the value of crops that are grown solely for consumption by the student and their family
- personal money in cash, savings, and checking accounts
- the home in which you live
- Uniform Gifts to Minors Act (UGMA) and Uniform Transfer to Minors Act (UTMA)
 accounts
- the value of life insurance
- ABLE accounts
- retirement plans (401[k] plans, pension funds, annuities, non-education IRAs, Keogh plans, etc.)
- real estate not owned by the business
- · other investments, such as stocks, bonds, certificates of deposit, etc.

Tip: Investment Farms should not include the home in which the family lives in the net worth of the farm if it is located on the farm. The principle or primary residence of the family may include the home, structures, and lands that are adjacent to the home that are not being used, stored, or sold for farming or other commercial activites.

How can I know how much money the FAFSA® will give me?

The FAFSA® doesn't give you money. It determines your eligibility to receive financial aid from many financial aid programs.

Financial Aid Offices at colleges will determine how much financial aid a student will receive, and provide a financial aid offer. The FAFSA® is step one in the paying for college process, as it is the application to be considered for the majority of financial aid opportunities. It will set a student's SAI, which the college will then use to determine financial need.

Tip: You can estimate how much aid you might receive by using your SAI in a college's Net Price Calculator, but you won't have the full picture until you receive your financial aid offers.

When will I receive my financial aid?

Financial aid disbursement timelines vary by institution, but college will first subtract your balance - tuition, fees, housing costs, meal plans, etc. - from the aid you receive.

If you have any excess, the Financial Aid Office will notify you of their process.

Tip: Sometimes private scholarship providers send their funds directly to the school, and other times, they provide the scholarship award directly to you. You will need to speak to the scholarship provider to determine their policy and timeline for disbursing their scholarship funds.

The FAFSA® is tied to more than you think. File the FAFSA® to maximize amount of financial aid opportunities that you can be considered for.

2026-2027 FAFSA Priority Deadlines

Ohio colleges were last surveyed in August 2025, and all updates completed. Students are strongly encouraged to verify information on college websites.
Where applicable, years from prior survey data that have already passed have been advanced to reflect the 2026-2027 academic year.

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003036	Edison State Community College	012750				March 2026		
003046	Franciscan University of Steubenville	003036				1/1/2026		
	Franklin University	003046		6/15/2026		Rolling		

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Good Samaritan College of Nursing & Health		1					
Science	006494		4/30/2026		TBD		
Heidelberg University	003048				TBD		
Hiram College	003049	V	1/15/2026		2/28/2026		
Hocking College	007598				Rolling		
James A. Rhodes State College	010027				April 2026		
John Carroll University	003050	Ø	12/1/2025		February 2026	S	11/1/2025
Kent State University	003051	<	2/1/2026		Mid-February 2026		
Kenyon College	003065	ζ.	11/15/2025	Yes (CSS Profile)	3/16/2026	S	11/15/2025
Kettering College	007035	<	3/31/2026		November 2025		
Lake Erie College	003066				January 2026		
Lakeland Community College	006804	S	3/1/2026		3/15/2026		
Lorain County Community College	003068				May 2026		
Lourdes University	003069				3/1/2026		
Malone University	003072	<	3/1/2026		11/1/2025		
Marietta College	003073	S	1/15/2026		TBD		
Marion Technical College	010736				2/1/2026		
Mercy College of Ohio	030970	S	3/1/2026		TBD		
Methodist Theological School in Ohio	G03075			Yes (MTSO FA App)	4/1/2026		
Miami University	003077	<	2/1/2026		2/1/2026		
Mount Carmel College of Nursing	030719				December 2025		
Mount St. Joseph University	003033	<	TBD		2/1/2026		
Mount Vernon Nazarene University	007085				Early December 2025		
Muskingum University	003084	ς.	3/1/2026		2/1/2026		
North Central State College	005313	2	6/27/2026		February 2026		
Northwest State Community College	008677	<	6/1/2026	Yes	Rolling		
Oberlin College	003086	S	2/15/2026	Yes (CSS Profile)	3/20/2026	S	11/1/2025
Ohio Business College	15153/E00686/ E40515			Sometimes	Rolling		
Ohio Christian University	003030				2/1/2026		

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Ohio Dominican University	003035	S	2/15/2026		Rolling		
Ohio Northern University	003089	()	3/1/2026		12/5/2025		
Ohio University	003100	Ø	1/15/2026		Mid-February 2026	<	11/15/2025
Ohio Wesleyan University	003109		2/15/2026		TBD		
Otterbein University	003110	<	1/31/2026		1/1/2026		
Owens State Community College	005753				3/1/2026		
Shawnee State University	009942	S	2/15/2026		3/15/2026		
Sinclair Community College	003119	S)	5/1/2026		Early February 2026		
Southern State Community College	012870				Mid-March 2026		
Stark State College	011141	S	7/1/2026		4/30/2026		
The Ohio State University	003090	S	2/1/2026		TBD	3	11/1/2025
The University of Akron	003123	S	2/1/2026		3/1/2026		
Tiffin University	003121				January 2026		
University of Cincinnati	003125	ζ	2/1/2026		3/15/2026		
University of Dayton	003127	<	2/1/2026		Late November 2025	S	11/1/2025
University of Findlay	003045				TBD		
University of Mount Union	003083				December 2025		
University of Northwestern Ohio	004861	<	4/1/2026		2/1/2026		
University of Rio Grande	003116	<	3/15/2026		TBD		
University of Toledo	003131	ζ.	2/1/2026		3/1/2026		
Valor Christian College	042243	2	3/1/2026	Yes	5/1/2026		
Walsh University	003135	<	5/1/2026		Rolling		
Washington State College of Ohio	010453	2	3/1/2026		Late February 2026		
Wilmington College	003142	۷.	3/1/2026		January 2026		
Wittenberg University	003143	<	2/1/2026		December 2025		
Wright State University	003078	<	2/1/2026		March 2026		
Xavier University	003144	۷	2/1/2026		2/1/2026		
Youngstown State University	003145	۵	2/1/2026		February 2026		
Zane State College	008133	<	5/1/2026		2/15/2026		